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FACSIMILES IN A NETWORK ENVIRONMENT

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION RECEIVED

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated June 23, 2003, in which the Examiner allowed claims 4, 14, and 24 and rejected claims 1-3, 5-13, 15-23, and 25-30 as anticipated (35 U.S.C. §102) by prior art. On August 5, 2003, the attorney for Applicant and the Examiner held a phone interview to discuss the patentability of the claims. No agreement as to patentability was reached. In response to the phone interview and Final Office Action, Applicants have amended claims 1, 11, and 21 to include certain of the requirements of pending claims 8, 18, and 28 to distinguish over the cited art. Applicant requests that the Examiner enter this amendment because the added limitations are found in existing dependent claims, so that further searching is not necessary. Applicant submits that all pending claims 1-30 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13.